



Fruitland Magnesium Fire Incident October 12, 2016

Fire Debris to be removed from 3570 Fruitland Ave. in October

At a Glance (in text box)

- **Debris remaining from June 14, 2016 fire will be removed from Oct.-Nov. 2016 by the EPA**
- **Work to occur for approximately 2-3 weeks**
- **Smells or odor that may arise during work DO NOT pose a health risk**

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- **Who:** U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- **What:** Removal of debris remaining from fire at 3570 Fruitland Avenue on June 14, 2016
- **When:** Approximately eight weeks, beginning October 17, 2016
- **Where:** 3570 Fruitland Avenue (for road closures, see information below)
- **Why:** Fire debris pose health risk to residents in community

Cleaning Up Fire Debris

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will be removing materials from 3570 Fruitland Avenue that remain from the June 14, 2016 fire. Debris from the fire may contain hazardous materials and need to be removed to reduce potential health risks to the community. Since the fire, the debris at the facility has been covered to prevent ash and dust from spreading through the air as windblown dust and impact the community. As the cleanup activities continue, every effort will be made to ensure that dust and ash do not re-enter your neighborhood.

While removing debris, you may notice burned metal and other fire debris odors, depending on weather conditions. **These odors can be a nuisance, but do not pose a human health risk.** EPA will be testing the air throughout the cleanup and will take measures to control any dust. This testing and any subsequent action will ensure there are no adverse health impacts to the community during the work.

What You Will See

As part of the cleanup, EPA will be bringing in heavy machinery and vehicles to move and dispose of debris from the fire. On the property and in the street in front of 3570 Fruitland Avenue, you will likely see:

- EPA contractors gathering material for disposal
- EPA staff conducting door-to-door outreach to share information about the cleanup
- Large trucks
- Heavy equipment for collecting and disposing of material

- Security personnel to safeguard site

Site History

On June 14, 2016, a fire started in Maywood, Calif. The fire burned Panda International Trading, located at 3570 Fruitland Avenue. Fruitland Avenue is a commercial/light manufacturing district. A residential neighborhood directly borders the south end of the site. The facility includes businesses, Panda International Trading (PIT) and Sokor Metals. PIT is a scrap metal yard that sends scrap metal for reuse, and Sokor Metals is a metals recycling operation.

Questions?

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